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Docket No. 1232-4478

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Tokunaga

Group Art Unit: 2612

Serial No.: 09/189,010

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 5, 2004, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. No fees are believed due in connection with this response. However, in the event any fees are necessitated by this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 13-4500, order no. 1232-4478.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: April 5, 2004

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